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	§	Examiner: William T. Leader
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For: VOLUME MEASUREMENT APPARATUS AND METHOD	§	

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please enter the following Preliminary Amendment. The Applicants believe no fee is due in connection with this amendment. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AMAT/8465/KMT for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.